

Today's News - April 9, 2004

Architects' billings predict economy. – Planning problems in Australia relate to government commitment as much as sustainable development rules. – Where have all the tall buildings gone? Edifice envy in Chicago and high-rise dangers in Bangladesh. – A sense of place in the suburban wilderness of west Dublin. – U.S. brownfields turning green (with a British accent). – Seattle waterfront: "a once-in-a-century opportunity." – On-again-off-again Acropolis Museum is on again (maybe). – An impressive advisory committee for Ground Zero museum. – Manhattan's Skyscraper Museum with a home of its own - at last. – Will it be the New Center for Arts and Culture or the Boston Museum Project (and one of two marquee architects) who build on a Boston greenway? – Big plans still a go for Seattle Art Museum. – Women in architecture: still a struggle. – Saving treasures in California, Massachusetts, and Ireland. – Weekend diversions: Archigram in London, and Charlotte Perriand at Princeton.

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[Disruptive development: The solution to the State's planning and development problems is as much a sustainable government commitment as the Sustainable Development Bill.](#) - The Adelaide Review (Australia)

[Edifice Envy: When gauging Chicago's architectural reputation, does size still matter? Quality, rather than sheer massiveness, is a "very hot topic right now"....Council on Tall Buildings symposium April 15-16.](#) By Lynn Becker- Repeat

[The heart of the matter: ineffectual, ineffective and inadequate: As they stand today...the core of a high-rise building is in a contemptible state. A disaster is looming. People will die...therein lies the importance of the role of an Architect.](#) - The Daily Star (Bangladesh)

[Establishing a sense of place in a suburban wilderness: A new residential scheme in west Dublin is completely different to the monotonous two-storey housing so typical of the area.](#) By Frank McDonald - Howley Harrington Architects- Irish Times

[Barratt Developments blazes a trail in US brownfield regeneration: UK housebuilder wants half of its Californian operations to be in urban renewal sector by 2009.](#) Building (UK)

[Design teams come up with 22 ways to redo waterfront: "a once-in-a-century opportunity"](#) - Seattle Times

[Court OKs Acropolis Museum - Bernard Tschumi](#) - Kathimerini (Greece)

[24 Are Appointed to Set Details of Museum at Ground Zero](#) - New York Times

[Spires to Greatness: The new downtown Skyscraper Museum celebrates Manhattan's towering achievements, all on one floor.](#) By Justin Davidson - Roger Duffy/Skidmore, Owings & Merrill- NY Newsday

[Making their case: Two groups, two visions...in line to compete head-to-head for maybe the last available parcel on the Rose Kennedy Greenway.](#) - Daniel Libeskind; Moshe Safdie- Boston Globe

[Seattle Art Museum Announces Capital Campaign with Increased Goal - Brad Cloepfil/Allied Works Architecture; NBBJ; Weiss/Manfredi Architects/Charles Anderson](#) - Art Museum Network News

[Building Careers. Despite the Barriers: ...the struggle of women in architecture and the real challenges they face, today and in the past.](#) By Roger K. Lewis- Washington Post

[Breaking the colour barrier: To the Los Angeles neighbourhood of West Adams, the South Seas House is more than a historic landmark - it is a symbol of hope.](#) - Michelle McDonagh- Financial Times (UK)

[Save modernist houses, Friends of Modern Architecture beg: Fear architecture hotbed may be lost](#) - Henry B. Hoover; Walter Gropius; DCOMOMO-US- Boston Globe

[Conserving the old to mix it with the new: ...the past couple of years has seen a rise in both the demand and the availability of a recognised new category of architect - the conservation architect.](#) - Anne Fletcher/Coady Partnership- Irish Times

[Archigram: Their brilliant, sometimes barmy designs look remarkably un-dated and this Design Museum show usefully documents how much they contributed to an architectural vision...](#) By Edwin Heathcote- Financial Times (UK)

[A Modernist and Innovator, Rediscovered: Charlotte Perriand](#) - New York Times

[Stately Restoration: New York State Capitol Assembly Chamber Floor: A treasure trove of 19th century design is restored and adapted for a 21st century democracy.](#) - Françoise Bollack Architects- ArchNewsNow

- [Nearing completion: Rem Koolhaas/OMA: Seattle Public Library](#)
- [Exhibition installation: The Moderns, Pacific Design Center, West Hollywood](#)
- [Symposium: Reimagining Grand Avenue, Los Angeles \(Gehry, Hadid, Cobb, Daly, et al\)](#)
- [Zaha Hadid, Pritzker Prize 2004 Laureate \(as everybody else but a little different!\)](#)
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